



## **COURT ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAM**

### **BACKGROUND**

In 1997 the Indiana General Assembly transferred the responsibility for certification, training, and support of Court Alcohol and Drug Programs in Indiana from the executive branch to the Indiana Judicial Center. In 1997 the Court Alcohol and Drug Program Advisory Committee (CADPAC), was created as a committee of the Judicial Conference of Indiana, to assist the Center in this task. In 1998 the Judicial Center hired an administrator for the program. An assistant administrator, a staff attorney, and a program coordinator have since been added to the program team. As of January 2004, approximately fifty-three circuit, superior, county, and city courts have court alcohol and drug programs.

**MISSION:** To develop, train, certify, and support court-administered alcohol and drug programs operating under the provisions of IC § 12-23-14 and the Rules for Court-Administered Alcohol & Drug Program promulgated by the Judicial Conference of Indiana.

### **FUNCTIONS**

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- Required of each participating program by Judicial Conference Rules.
- Standards developed from statutes, Judicial Conference Rules and Indiana Judicial Center procedures.
- Programs reviewed, at least, once every three years for certification.
- Certification Reviews conducted by Indiana Judicial Center staff.
- Appeals procedure and oversight provided by CADPAC.

#### **EDUCATION**

- Annual Meeting held for supervising judges, program directors, and staff.
- Workshops conducted for program directors and staff, as needed.
- Staff Orientation provided to new staff.
- Program Orientation provided for new directors and supervising judges.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

- Provided for judges, program directors, and staff to participate in extraordinary learning opportunities.
- Scholarships pay 80% of selected expenses up to \$1,000.

#### **GRANT PROGRAM**

- Initiated June 1999 for programs to upgrade their curriculum, technology, or equipment.
- Consulting grants for program improvement initiated January 2000.
- Grants pay up to \$2,500 on a matching basis.

#### **SUPPORT**

- Staff to assist programs with legal, administrative, or operational matters.
- Program Newsletter highlighting programs, events, and information.
- Collaboration with various private associations and public agencies.
- Working with other governmental agencies on a comprehensive response to addictions.